

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 5286

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Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REDEMPTION OF BOTTLES AT BOTTLE REDEMPTION CENTERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 22a-245 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 3 October 1, 2013):
- 4 (b) A dealer shall not refuse to accept at such dealer's place of
- 5 business, from any person any empty beverage containers of the kind,
- 6 size [and] or brand sold by the dealer, or refuse to pay to such person
- 7 the refund value of a beverage container unless (1) such container
- 8 contains materials which are foreign to the normal contents of the
- 9 container; (2) such container is not labeled in accordance with
- subsection (b) of section 22a-244; (3) such dealer sponsors, solely or
- 11 with others, a redemption center which is located within a one-mile
- 12 radius of such place of business and which accepts beverage containers
- of the kind, size [and] or brand sold by such dealer at such place of
- business; or (4) there is established by others, a redemption center
- which is located within a one-mile radius of such place of business and
- which accepts beverage containers of the kind, size [and] or brand sold

- 17 by such dealer at such place of business. A dealer shall redeem an
- 18 empty container of a kind, size or brand the sale of which has been
- 19 discontinued by such dealer for not less than sixty days after the last
- 20 sale by the dealer of such kind, size or brand of beverage container.
- 21 Sixty days before such date, the dealer shall post, at the point of sale,
- 22 notice of the last date on which the discontinued kind, size or brand of
- 23 beverage container shall be redeemed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2013	22a-245(b)

Statement of Purpose:

To require that bottle redemption centers at stores accept bottles from all brands rather than only accept bottles from those brands sold in such store.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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